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Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Attn: Docketing Department
P. O. Drawer 11649
Columbia, SC 29211
RE: Docket No. 2004-353-WS

Dear Public Service Commission Members,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the water and sewage rate increase proposed by Lake Wylie Community Utilities. The proposed increase is exorbitant. It is a 250% increase! Most of the residents of the Lake Wylie Mobile Home Community are retired or on fixed incomes and this increase would create a financial burden.

I suggest that Mr. Malpeli install meters at every residence and charge each resident for the amount of water and sewage they use. This would be much fairer to all the residents. There are some residents who fill above ground swimming pools each year. I do not want to pay for the water they use. Many other residents water their lawns daily. I do not want to pay for the water they use. Some homes have several residents and would use more water and sewage than I do, as there are only two occupants in my home.

I would like to go on record as being strongly opposed to the proposed increase. I do understand that there has not been an increase in the water and sewage rate in several years. However, Mr. Malpeli has begun charging residents a monthly fee for street lights, so our monthly fees have increased. If Mr. Malpeli does not want to install meters, then I suggest an increase of only \$5 for the water and \$5 for the sewage.

Sincerely,

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